



ARLINGTON FINANCE COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
4/27/2022 7:30 PM
Conducted by Remote Participation – Zoom Meeting

ATTENDEES

Gibian	P	Padaria	A	Harmer	P	Tosti	P
Blundell	P	Migliazzo	A	LaCourt	P	Deshler	P
Ellis	A	Wallach	A	Jones	P	Carman	P
Healy	P	Foskett	P	Kocur	P	McKenna	P
Beck	P	Crawford Pokress	A	Kellar	A		
						Bradley	P

P indicates Present; L indicates late; A indicates Absent

Visitors: Town Manager Adam Chapdelaine, Select Board Chair Len Diggins, Select Board Member Steve DeCoursey

INTRODUCTION

1. Foskett read the rules for the meeting as formulated by Town Counsel based on the Governor's authorization. An important rule is that all votes, unless unanimous, must be by roll call. Attendance was taken by roll call. A vote of "unanimous" means "unanimous vote by all present". The Chair votes only when there is a tie.

BUDGETS, ARTICLES & ITEMS

1. Financial Estimates and Budget Documents - Article 24
 - a. DeCoursey introduced Article 24. Chapdelaine presented arguments in favor of the article and shared Budget Submission Deadlines in area municipalities. The Select Board will be hearing Article 24 on Monday, 5/2.
 - b. The Governor's Budget would most likely impact the following Town budgets: School Department, Override Stabilization Fund, Local Aid line item and Long-Range Plan.
 - c. There was a motion to postpone review of this article until Monday, 5/2. There was a second motion to take no action on Article 24.
 - d. VOTE: the committee voted to take no action on Article 24 with 7 in favor (Gibian, Blundell, Jones, Kocur, Tosti, Deshler and McKenna) and five in opposition (Healy, Beck, Harmer, LaCourt and Carman)

2. Summary

Budget #	Budget Name	Amount	Status
WA 24	Financial Estimates & Budget Documents	n/a	No Action - Approved

CONCLUSION

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.

The next meeting is Monday, May 2, 2022 at 7:30 PM.

Tara Bradley

4/28/2022

Reference 1: Budget Submission Comparisons – Town Manager Adam Chapdelaine

List of Comparable Communities	Budget Submission Date
Belmont	Third Friday in February
Brookline	February 15th
Medford	June
Melrose	May
Milton	January 31st
Natick	February 1st
Needham	January 31st
North Andover	90 days before Town Meeting*
Reading	Unavailable
Stoneham	75 days before Town Meeting**
Watertown	January 31st
Winchester	February 15th

*Based on Arlington's Town Meeting this would equate to a January 25th submission date

**Based on Arlington's Town Meeting this would equate to a February 9th submission date